

Impromptu Speaking

Individual Event

Regulations

- *Refer to National Competitive Event Guidelines for description and procedures.*

Eligibility

- Each local chapter may enter one (1) member.
- Participants must not have placed first in this event at a previous SLC or competed in this event at a NLC.
- A member may enter only one individual or team event and one chapter event. Who's Who in FBLA does not count as an event.
- Speeches are not to be under 3:31 or over 4:29 minutes in length.

Administration of Events

RLC	SLC
All participants will perform. Schedules will be posted at RLC, not before.	Preliminary performances by all participants. Schedules will be posted at SLC, not before.
Order of performances is random.	Order of performances is random.
Participants are sequestered. Failure of participant to arrive in sequestered area by the time the first speech begins will result in disqualification.	Participants are sequestered. Failure of participant to arrive in sequestered area by the time the first speech begins will result in disqualification.
4" x 6" note cards will be provided to participants.	Two (2) 4" x 6" note cards will be provided to participants.
Performances are closed to the public.	The top 8 finalists will participate in a final round.
	Final performances are open to conference attendees except to participants in this event.
Top THREE finishers advance to SLC competition.	Top THREE finishers advance to NLC competition.

Participants will be given topic and have ten (10) minutes to prepare their speeches prior to appearing before the judges. All participants will address the same topic in their speeches.

Two (2) 4" x 6" note cards will be given to each participant and may be used during the preparation and performance. Information may be written on both sides of the note card. Note cards will be collected following the presentation.

Judging

- The rating sheet(s) the judges will use are found in the Wisconsin Competitive Event Guidelines.
- All decisions of the judges are final.



FBLA IMPROMPTU SPEAKING Performance Rating Sheet

☐ Preliminary Round

☐ Final Round

Evaluation Item	Not Demonstrated	Does Not Meet Expectations	Meets Expectations	Exceeds Expectations	Points Earned
Content					
Relation to the topic	0	1–5	6–10	11–15	
Memorable central theme stated and repeated	0	1–2	3–4	5	
Supporting information is accurate and appropriate	0	1–2	3–4	5	
Organization					
Immediate introduction of topic	0	1–3	4–7	8–10	
Strong support (body) for topic	0	1–3	4–7	8–10	
Effective and memorable conclusion	0	1–3	4–7	8–10	
Delivery					
Extemporaneous delivery; i.e. not merely read from the notes	0	1–5	6–10	11–15	
Effective posture, body language, eye contact, and gestures	0	1–3	4–7	8–10	
Professional tone, appropriate language (inflection, pace, emphasis, and enthusiasm)	0	1–3	4–7	8–10	
Presentation is sincere, interesting, creative, and convincing	0	1–3	4–7	8–10	
Subtotal					/100 max.
Time Penalty Deduct five (5) points for presentation under 3:31 or over 4:29 minutes. Time:					
Penalty Deduct five (5) points for failure to follow guidelines.					
Dress Code Penalty Deduct five (5) points when dress code is not followed.					
Final Score					/100 max.

Name(s): _____

School: _____ State: _____

Judge's
Signature: _____ Date: _____

Judge's
Comments: